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Laboratory – Type & Screen Test

- Description:*** This test will provide information about your blood type as well as a screen to detect antibodies against other blood group systems. This test requires an extra blood draw to verify your blood type.
- Why an extra draw:*** The two-sample protocol used by our health system has been developed to prevent blood bank-sample misidentification risks (incorrect identification of a patient), especially prior to transfusion or surgical procedures.
- What to expect:*** As you are properly identified by our registration and/or phlebotomy team, two samples will be drawn independently. Two different sites will be used.
- Better Care:*** Although, this process may create some discomfort, our goal is to provide excellent patient care by implementing more effective safety measures.
- Who to call if you have questions:*** If you have questions or would like additional information, please call NorthShore Lab Services (NSLS) at (847) 663-2100.

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